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SUBJECT: THEMATIC PROGRAM RESOURCES

REF: USIA 15322

1. POST PLEASED WITH ICS' FUTURE PLANS. OUR REACTIONS
LISTED BELOW.

2. FOREIGN POLICY: ANY SPEAKERS OR GROUPS NOTED
OPTIONS (A) AND (B) WELCOMED BY POST. PARTICULAR BILATERAL
US-JAPAN ISSUES NOT SO IMPORTANT TO SUCCESS THIS THEME
AS MULTI-LATERAL SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS DISARMAMENT,
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ENERGY, DETENTE, ETC. BUT SPEAKERS MORE EFFECTIVE IF

KNOWLEDGEABLE US-JAPAN AFFAIRS. TIMING FINE (AND THIS APPLIES ALL PROGRAMS BELOW TOO) EXCEPT AFTER DECEMBER 15 OR BEFORE JANUARY 15. FYI POST WILL SEND IN JUNE 75 FOREIGN POLICY PACKAGED PROGRAM PROPOSAL AT USUAL SEVEN-MONTHS-BEFORE PROGRAM TIME.

3. ECONOMICS: BECAUSE THIS AND FOREIGN POLICY THEMES MOST IMPORTANT TO POST, AGAIN EAGER TO RECEIVE ANY OF SPEAKERS OR SPEAKER TEAMS ON WORLD INFLATION, US TRADE POLICY, WORLD TRADE REFORM, US MONETARY POLICY, AND WORLD MONETARY REFORM. KEEN JAPANESE INTEREST IN ALL SUBJECTS. POST THUS HOPES PROGRAMS SUITABLE FOR ECONOMIC/TRADE INTERESTS OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES LIKE JAPAN AND SPEAKERS WELL INFORMED ENOUGH TO DISCUSS SPECIFIC US-JAPAN PROBLEMS AND US-JAPAN PROBLEMS IN WORLD FRAMEWORK AS WELL.

4. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: POST HAS NO PLANS FOR NEW TOWN PROGRAM FOR FY 75. THUS SURPRISED AT REFTEL REFERENCE TO JAPAN PLAN. POST VERY INTERESTED IN FOOD, POPULATION, ENERGY, RESOURCES, ENVIRONMENT TEAMS. ENERGY ESPECIALLY APPROPRIATE AS FOLLOW-UP MAJOR PACKAGED PROGRAM TO BE HELD OCT 74. GIVEN RECENT CLIMATE ABERRATIONS, DWINDLING FOOD SUPPLIES, AND FREQUENT USG STATEMENT OF US AS RELIABLE SUPPLIER FOR JAPANESE MARKET, POST REGARDS FOOD AS POTENTIALLY MAJOR CONCERN. NO INTEREST IN SPACE RESEARCH.

5. POLITICAL AND SOCIAL PROCESSES: AS BEFORE POST EXTREMELY INTERESTED IN THIS. MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE FOR UPCOMING MAJOR PACKAGED PROGRAM US SOCIETY FOR SPRING, '75.

6. ARTS AND HUMANITIES: REQUEST MORE DATA ON MASS COMMUNICATIONS AND EDUCATION, FILM, AND "INNOVATIVE EDUCATION" PROROGAMS BEFORE GIVING FINAL RESPONSE. POST FILM RESOURCES ALREADY STRONG. THEATER VERY DIFFICULT FOR JAPAN GIVEN LANGUAGE PROBLEM. PERFORMANCES NOT USEFUL, AND WORKSHOPS REQUIRE TOP TALENT AND AMPLE TIME. KEEP US INFORMED, BUT IT IS UNLIKELY UNCLASSIFIED

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WE CAN USE THIS TROUPE. AMERICAN DRAMATIC LITERATURE CRITIC-SCHOLAR-SPEAKER MIGHT BE OF VALUE HOWEVER. AMERICA 200 YEARS SOUNDS WORTHWHILE AND HELP FILL IN GAP IN POST US SOCIETY PROGRAMS. NO INTEREST IN VIES, GERSHWIN MUSIC PROGRAMS. POST WELCOMES GIDEON CHAGY IF REGIONAL STAG GRANT ENABLES TRAVEL IN AREA.

7. POST NEEDS PLENTY OF LEAD TIME, AT LEAST ONE MONTH,

PREFERABLY MORE, TO ARRANGE PROGRAMS, ATTRACT AUDIENCES.
ALSO REQUEST BIO-DATA, LECTURE TITLES, TALKING POINTS,
VISUAL AND PRINTED SUPPORT MATERIALS AS SOON AS
AVAILABLE FOR PRE-PROGRAM PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES.

8. WELCOME ICS' INITIATIVES IN THIS AREA AND
LOOK FORWARD TO MEANINGFUL RESULTS COMING MONTHS.
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